Reservoir Committee and Authority Board Meeting

Agenda Item 3.2: Operations Plan Development

August 16, 2024



Background

- Submitted draft Operations Plan v2.0 as part of water right hearing process on May 24, 2024
 - Focused on diversion, storage and release for the overall Project
 - Pulled from current documents (Final EIR/EIS, permit applications, etc)
- Released draft Operations Plan v2.1 for O&E Workgroup review
 - Includes more information regarding member activities
 - Provides more information to "crosswalk" Ops Plan and Benefits and Obligations (B&O) contract
 - Intended to be finalized, adopted by Board, and become an attachment to B&O contract

Hierarchy and Interaction between Documents



Benefits and Obligations
Contract

Grants capacity interests in Project facilities and a right to water diversion; defines obligations



Operations Plan

Describes day to day operations including decision process for when/how to divert and release



Operations Manual (to be developed)

Will explain actual operations and physical project components, such as which valves to open, etc.

Operations Plan

- ** Topics that are cross-referenced in the B&O contract
- 2.0 Operations Planning, Forecasting, and Accounting
- 3.0 Diversions and Conveyance **
- 4.0 Storage **
- 5.0 Releases **
- 6.0 Sales, Exchanges, Leases **
- 7.0 Other Water **
- 8.0 Exchanges
- 9.0 GCID and TCCA Considerations
- 10.0 Coordination with CVP and SWP
- 11.0 Other Considerations

New Operations Plan Content

- "Sites Water", "Other Water", and "Water" are defined in both documents and used carefully throughout
- Diversion priority is described including the need to fill dead pool, the priority of diversions over releases, importance of diversions during the water right development period, and the overall priority of diversions

New Operations Plan Content

- Priority of releases explained including releases made pursuant to operations agreements and amongst Storage Partners
- Process for releases during low storage level conditions is described
- Example Storage Opportunity Request Form and Release Request Form are included

Schedule and Operations Plan Input

- Ops Plan v2.1 was provided to O&E Workgroup for review and comment on August 9
- Comments due have been requested by August 30
- September Considering second Special O&E workgroup focusing on comments and changes
- Reservoir Committee/Authority Board consideration at a future meeting

Questions?

